corneal tissue, corneal prosthesis can be readily available. We will also add new projects focusing on advanced diagnostic ocular imaging techniques combined with effective telemedicine that will lessen the morbidity of traumatic ocular injuries in military operations as well as explore newer modalities to assist in the visual restoration of the injured personnel.

Requesting Member: Representative MARIO DIAZ-BALART (FL–25)

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Operating Forces 1A3A Intermediate Maintenance

Name of Requesting Entity: Florida Gulf Coast University

Address of Requesting Entity: 10501 FGCU Blvd. South, Fort Myers, FL 33965

Description of Request: I have secured $1,500,000 for developing and testing environmentally safe decontaminating agents for biodefense. This funding will be used for the diversification of economy through development of new technologies attracting high tech-high-wage jobs and development of environmentally friendly detection and detoxification technologies. Many commonly available biocides and toxin decontamination procedures are both too toxic and too persistent for certain applications. Chlorine, for example, is a very effective agent for sterilization and toxin destruction, but it can engender serious problems arising from its persistence and reactivity. Sometimes, the intake air or water entering a sealed compartment must be completely decontaminated, but new hazards arising from the deployed decontamination treatment must be avoided, particularly when the protected space is occupied by people. Currently, decontamination procedures are problematic because harsh, persistent agents are utilized, and although harsh decontaminating agents will destroy microbes and toxins, they can also harm human health, sensitive electronic equipment, furnishings and documents. Clearly, new biocides and toxin decontamination agents are needed and we have been researching alternatives and developing new applications. Short persistence times, acute toxicity in the killing zone, (immediately followed by a cessation of toxicity) and/or the ability to switch the biocidal activity ''off,'' are highly desirable attributes. Our proprietary photocatalytic technology (a patent has been filed) produces biocidal oxidants during UV illumination, but when the light is turned off, the biocidal oxidant activity ceases within seconds, and residual oxidants spontaneously decompose or biodegrade. Further, the photocatalytic coatings we have discovered have electrical properties with a sensor activity, making them amenable to the creation of a device which can both detect and decontaminate, (with both capabilities contained within one unit). We have also begun to develop a family of alkaline biocides, with an enhanced permeability component to increase lethality. These biocides cab be switched off by dilution and neutralization. New enhancements of existing oxidant systems are also being investigated. We intend to combine our expertise in materials science, biochemistry, molecular biology, analytical chemistry, marine biology, microbiology, and engineering to develop new biocidal technologies and solve problems of disinfection and toxin destruction in the context of biomedical, environmental and bio-defense applications. The technologies described above are ''multi-use'' and have applications in the fields of medicine, agriculture, aquaculture, and bio-defense.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LOUIE GOHMERT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to Republican Leadership standards, the following information is submitted regarding funding received in the first district of Texas as part of H.R. 3326—Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010.

Regional Geospatial Service Centers. Stephen F. Austin State University, Box 6078 SFA Station, Nacogdoches, TX 75962, OM,ARNG account, $2,156,000 for the continuation of an initiative to establish Regional Geospatial Service Centers in Nacogdoches, Texas; El Paso, Texas; and Beaumont, Texas, and to provide emergency geospatial information services. The Center provides critical geospatial information to support emergency managers, planners, resource managers, landowners, individuals and policy makers, as demonstrated through its dramatic usefulness after the Columbia Shuttle disaster. These applications are now also assisting with national needs and have extremely important national security relevance.

Organic Semiconductor Modeling and Simulation (COSMOS). The University of Texas at Tyler, 3900 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75799, RDTE,A account, $1,100,000 for the Organic Semiconductor Modeling and Simulation Initiative—a collaborative research and development project. The funds will provide for research to improve the ability to design and fabricate flexible electronics, leading to the production of electronic textiles with far-reaching benefits to the Department of Defense, particularly for our armed forces, with demonstrated potential to revolutionize military uniforms and equipment to levels previously only seen in super-hero comic books. Yet, the research thus far has been very promising for producing electronic threads that receive light, convert it to energy, discern the colors or shapes around it, and morph accordingly.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GEOFF DAVIS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I secured as part of H.R. 3326, the Defense Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman GEOFF DAVIS

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ashland Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 50 E. River Center Blvd, Covington, KY 41012

Description of Request: Appropriate $500,000 to continue development of advanced coolant and lubricant systems utilizing nano-particle systems to enhance the capabilities of military ground vehicles and simplify supply logistics. Military vehicles must meet arduous cooling performance requirements. An Army goal is to increase the performance and durability of engines, power trains and their component parts in support of mobility, durability, reliability and survivability as well as reduce logistics costs. This project will help the Army meet these goals. This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the reduced maintenance and longer engine life in military vehicles, which it enables, has the potential to reduce maintenance costs and enhance combat readiness.

Requesting Member: Congressman GEOFF DAVIS

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Other Procurement, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: DRS Sustainment Systems

Address of Requesting Entity: 7375 Industrial Road, Florence, KY 41042

Description of Request: Appropriate $3,500,000 to procure the next generation of mobile Army refrigeration systems/the Multi-Temperature Refrigerated Container System (MTRCS). This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because MTRCS provides the Army with more efficient space utilization and reduced transportation requirements for food and refrigerated medical products. As a result, fewer vehicles will be required to transport these items on the battlefield, reducing the number of soldiers exposed to danger from IEDs, etc.

Requesting Member: Congressman GEOFF DAVIS

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: MAG Industrial Automation Systems

Address of Requesting Entity: 3940 Olympic Blvd., Erlanger, KY 41018

Description of Request: Appropriate $2,000,000 to develop a machine to produce lighter weight parts for military vehicles. The project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it supports development of technology that delivers light weight materials to produce lighter parts that reduce the weight of military vehicles. The results will be improved fuel efficiency, cost savings and enhanced combat readiness.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293, The Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, 2010:

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education—National Projects

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Reading is Fundamental, 1825 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20009

Description of Request: Reading is Fundamental (RIF), a national project, will use the $24,803,000 listed in H.R. 3293 to provide millions of underserved children with free books for personal ownership and reading encouragement throughout the fifty states. New Jersey will benefit through its 74 programs which serve over 76,000 students.

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Administration for Children and Families (AFC)—Social Services, Department of Health and Human Services

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Polaris Project, 182 Biltmore Street, NW, Unit D, Washington, DC 20009

Description of Request: The Polaris Project will use the $250,000 listed in H.R. 3293 to fund the New Jersey Trafficking Intervention Program which combats human trafficking in the State and provides direct assistance through multiple activities to the victims of human trafficking, law enforcement and service providers. The Polaris Project also provides community leadership and serves on the NJ Statewide Human Trafficking Task Force.

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services, Department of Health and Human Services

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Meridian Health, 1350 Campus Parkway, Neptune, NJ 07753

Description of Request: The current Emergency Department (ED) at Ocean Medical Center does not have sufficient capacity to meet patients' needs, and serves over 44,000 visits annually in a facility designed to handle 20,000. Meridian Health will use the amount of $100,000 listed in H.R. 3293 to redesign and renovate the ED in order to provide increased space to serve more patients and provide needed dedicated space for cardiac/stroke patients, pediatric patients, and behavioral health.

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services, Department of Health and Human Services

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: St. Francis Medical Center, 601 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08629

Description of Request: St. Francis Medical Center (SFMC) serves an underserved inner-city population in an aging facility. The funding amount of $350,000 listed in H.R. 3293 will be used to replace outdated information technology equipment and infrastructure and medical equipment which will help improve the efficiency of operations and the quality of care provided to patients.

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Employment and Training Administration (ETA)—Training and Employment Services (TES), Department of Labor

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Beth Medrash Govoha, 617 6th Street, Lakewood, NJ 08701

Description of Request: Beth Medrash Govoha will use the amount of $150,000 listed in H.R. 3293 to expand and revamp career and job skills counseling and job training at the institution which will assist students and graduates in a difficult job market and will suggest economic development particularly in the region.

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education—National Projects

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Reach Out and Read (National Project), 56 Roland Street, Boston, MA 02129

Description of Request: Reach Out and Read (ROR), a national project, will use the amount of $4,965,000 listed in H.R. 3293 to promote early language, literacy development and school readiness in infants and young children throughout the United States. Pediatricians and other health care providers who interact with parents in the very early years of their children's development will serve as a guide and encouragement for parents and will send families home from each doctor's visit with books and a prescription to read together. Currently, there are eight clinical locations serving over 12,500 children annually in the 4th District of New Jersey.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING COLONEL DANA R. HURST FOR HIS SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker,

Whereas, Dana R. Hurst has served in the United States Army since 1982; and

Whereas, Dana R. Hurst has commanded the Huntington District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, providing leadership and guidance across the Ohio River Basin; and

Whereas, Dana R. Hurst has served in Korea, Kuwait, and across the United States; and

Whereas, Dana R. Hurst is the recipient of the Defense Meritorious Service Medal; and

Whereas, Col. Hurst's actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed service and reflect great credit upon himself, the Corps of Engineers, and the United States Army; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I commend and acknowledge Colonel Dana R. Hurst for his contributions to his community and our great nation.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY 2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman TED POE

Bill Number: H.R. 3293, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas

Address of Requesting Entity: 3080 College Street, Beaumont, TX 77701

Description of Request: I have secured $200,000 in funding for Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas to help renovate their 40 year old Behavioral Health Center.

Requesting Member: Congressman TED POE

Bill Number: H.R. 3293, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lamar University

Address of Requesting Entity: 4400 MLK Boulevard, P.O. Box 10119, Beaumont, TX 77710

Description of Request: I have secured $350,000 in funding for Lamar University's Community and University Partnership Service (CUPS) to coordinate, plan, and promote quality healthcare for underserved populations in Southeast Texas. CUPS will provide critical access to resources and expertise for quality healthcare coupled with traditional community-based delivery systems through efficient utilization of University resources and partnerships.

Requesting Member: Congressman TED POE

Bill Number: H.R. 3293, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Training and Employment Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Digital Workforce Academy

Address of Requesting Entity: 2209 Rosewood Drive, 1st Floor, Austin, TX 78702

Description of Request: I have secured $300,000 in funding for the Digital Workforce Academy to help retool and train individuals for the skilled and highly demanding jobs required to take on the sophisticated construction, pipe fitting, welding, and related skill sets to participate in the petrochemical infrastructure expansion occurring in Beaumont, Port Arthur, and Orange, TX. The Academy focuses primarily on the underserved , the overlooked, the unemployed.